

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Broadly speaking, the present invention fills these needs by ~~providing a~~ providing a method which conveniently establishes a secure computing environment. It should be appreciated that the present invention can be implemented in numerous ways, including as a process, an apparatus, a system, or a device. Several inventive embodiments of the present invention are described below.--